

ACT 124

S.B. NO. 2909

A Bill for an Act Relating to Law Enforcement.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. (a) The legislative reference bureau shall conduct a study that examines consolidating the law enforcement activities and responsibilities of various state divisions and agencies under a single, centralized state enforcement division or agency.

(b) The study shall examine the following areas related to consolidation:

(1) Start-up and other costs;

(2) Cost-savings;

(3) Regulatory efficiencies;

(4) Structure of consolidation; and

(5) Operational, administrative, financial, personnel, legal, and other issues associated with consolidation.

(c) In conducting the study, the legislative reference bureau shall seek input from the following departments and divisions, including the department of the attorney general; department of land and natural resources division of

conservation and resources enforcement; department of public safety narcotics enforcement division; and department of transportation harbors division.

(d) The legislative reference bureau shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days before the convening of the regular session of 2019.

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

(Approved July 5, 2018.)